



Heffer warns Labour of 'civil war' over Liverpool purge

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

A senior Labour left-winger spoke yesterday of civil war in the party if the national executive committee carries out a purge of the Liverpool Labour Party...

Success to the SDP-Liberal Alliance. Some members of the centre-right believe that the natural follow-up to tough action over Liverpool would be the withdrawal of the Labour whip from Mr Dave Nellist...

Mulhearn, president of the district party, are thought certain to be expelled. Some sources indicated yesterday that any new constitution for the Liverpool party would stipulate that it would be able to draw delegates only from wards and constituencies...



Young workers on a Community Programme project (above) with a George III cannon found during the unearthing of the seventeenth-century Amhurst Fort overlooking Chatham Harbour.

long-term unemployed jobs on community projects at a cost of £1.65 billion (Patricia Clough writes). Although it cannot demonstrate it statistically, the Manpower Services Commission (MSC), which administers the programme, believes strongly that it improves people's chances of getting regular work.

A survey carried out by the MSC of 2,500 people who took part in the programme in 1983-84 found that 25 per cent went straight into regular employment. Eight and a half months later 31 per cent of them had jobs. The programme was launched in its present form in October 1982. (Photograph, Peter Trevnor).

Rethink decision, Argentines urged

By Nicholas Ashford, diplomatic correspondent

British MPs were last night urging four members of a visiting Argentine Parliamentary delegation to reconsider their earlier decision to reject an invitation from the Government to hold talks with Mr Timothy Eggar...

Perks for lawyers in commerce

By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent

The earnings of solicitors in commerce and industry far outstrip those of their colleagues in private practice and are usually boosted with valuable perquisites, according to a new survey by the management consultants Hay-MSL.

Taxing problem of the lower paid

By Lawrence Laver

The lower paid are paying more in tax and national insurance than when the Conservative Government came to power, according to the Institute of Fiscal Studies. Average gross weekly earnings for a male teacher at a secondary school in 1979...

secretaries and cleaners pay just over 4 per cent more. IFS estimates for 1986 put the average weekly earnings for a nurse at £130.31, with 29.24 per cent going in tax and national insurance, leaving £92.21. In the last four budgets the Government reduced the tax burden by increases in the real level of tax allowances rather than reducing the basic rate...

used to cut the basic rate, there would be a rate of 26.5p. but it does improve the position of those people who would be or would almost be financially better off on benefits. Nevertheless, the IFS says if the Government was to spend £6 billion on tax cuts, by a 5 per cent cut in basic rate, or a 30 per cent increase in allowances those earning less than £250 a week gross would benefit more from the allowance increase. The advantage of raising allowances is that all basic rate payers will have the same increase in net income, as increase proportionally the greatest benefit for those on lowest incomes.

Tycoon 'dead in locked chapel'

A man's New Year's Eve revels ended when he discovered the blood-soaked body of fashion tycoon Aristos Constantinou, an inquest heard yesterday. Mr Constantinou was shot in the private chapel of his £1.7 million mansion in Hampstead, north London, on New Year's Day last year. His widow, now Mrs Eleana Nugent, had flown from the United States to attend Herts County Coroner's Court.

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Mr David Crouch, Conservative MP for Canterbury, said after the meeting that he detected indications of greater flexibility on the Argentine side. There were no signs of any flexibility from the Prime Minister, however, when she referred to the Falklands during Question Time.

The survey is published shortly after another, which showed that solicitors in private practice had earnings which were significantly lower than those of other professional people.

Dud notes gang get 15 years

Three members of a multimillion pound banknote forgery ring, smashed by a James Bond-style undercover detective, were jailed yesterday.

NUT to continue wage claim action

Members of the National Union of Teachers (NUT) have voted overwhelmingly for a series of short strikes in the next few weeks, in spite of the provisional settlement of the teachers' salaries dispute. NUT members voted by three to one for continued industrial action, calling on the union's 216,000-strong membership to take part in half-day walk-outs or individual stoppages.

BP again cuts price of petrol

BP, which is set to announce a near-record profit tomorrow, has again cut its petrol price in the wake of falling world crude oil prices. Average prices at BP and National petrol stations should fall by 2.7p a gallon to just over 181p. Other big oil companies are expected to announce similar cuts by the end of the week.

He said he walked along a dimly lit hallway and found Mr Constantinou's body lying down in a pool of blood. He could feel no pulse. Mr Constantinou, aged 40, was shot seven times with a .35 automatic pistol which used 30-year-old silver bullets no longer available.

As she arrived for yesterday's hearing, Mrs Nugent was approached by Ms Barnes Wilson from Childline Avenue, north London. Mr Wilson said he had served a writ for an unpaid bill of £374.78 for a carpet to replace the blood-stained carpet.

Times man to head agency

Mr Colin Webb, aged 44, deputy editor of The Times, is to succeed Mr David Chipp, editor-in-chief of the Press Association, the national news agency. Mr Tim Morris, chairman of the P.A., said yesterday.

McGlinchey trial delay

The trial of Dominic McGlinchey, aged 32, once the most wanted man in Ireland, was adjourned for two days yesterday after a court was told he had dismissed his legal representative two weeks before the case was due to begin.

Driving ban for Yarwood

Mike Yarwood, the television entertainer, was fined £200 yesterday and banned from driving for two years after admitting driving with too much alcohol in his blood. Magistrates at Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, were told that Yarwood, aged 44, had a breath test reading of nearly three times the legal limit when he was stopped near his home in High Pine, Close, Weybridge, on February 6.

Riot case man wins damages

Claudius David, aged 26, of Kenley House, Broadwater Farm estate, north London, was awarded £950 damages against the police by Tottenham Magistrates yesterday. He had been held in custody for 19 days accused of assisting in the retention of stolen goods during the estate riots last October, which he denied.

Specialists clash at inquiry

Leading specialists clashed again yesterday at the inquiry into the competence of Mrs Wendy Savage, the consultant obstetrician at the London Hospital who has been suspended since last April. Mr Gordon Bourne, the North East Thames Regional Health Authority's assessor in obstetrics, said he disagreed with the view of Mr John Dennis, Professor of Obstetrics at Southampton University, that in one of the cases being considered at the inquiry there was in effect 'no case to answer'.

Security clampdown on GCHQ computers

The Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) at Cheltenham, the subject of recent security leaks, has commissioned experts to ensure that government computers holding classified information are spy-proof. The British computer specialist Logica, has been awarded a contract in partnership with Admiral Computing to test the security of sensitive government machines. GCHQ computers contain highly classified material gathered by its staff when monitoring foreign broadcasts.

Judge halts UDR trial

The trial of six Uster Defence Regiment soldiers was halted yesterday when the judge dismissed himself from hearing the case involving the killing of a Roman Catholic. Mr Justice Hutton told Belfast Crown Court he had been prejudiced because the prosecution had unnecessarily raised a doubt about the only witness to the killing of Adrian Carroll in Armagh City two years ago.

Royal jockey

Princess Anne is to ride one of the Queen's horses in the coming flat race season. The announcement by Buckingham Palace effectively ends speculation that she is expecting her third child.

Mr Justice Hutton told Belfast Crown Court he had been prejudiced because the prosecution had unnecessarily raised a doubt about the only witness to the killing of Adrian Carroll in Armagh City two years ago. The five men accused of murder were remanded in custody. The sixth, who is charged with withholding information about the killing, was granted bail.

Couple fight Guernsey law in Strasbourg

An English couple, who were prevented under a Guernsey housing law from living in their own home on the island, took their case against the island authorities to the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg yesterday. Mr Gerald Gillow and his wife, Yvonne, claimed that the 1969 Housing Control Law, which stripped them of their residential status, contravened the European Convention on Human Rights. They argued that the housing legislation was a "surrogate immigration measure" promulgated by connivance with the British Government.

£200m nuclear waste site planned for 1990s

A land-based nuclear waste site for low-level and intermediate-level radioactive waste would cost more than £200 million to build, the Cabinet has been told. The site could be ready between 1992 and 1995. It would be used for 50 years and kept secure for another 300 years to allow the most active materials to decay to a safe level. Those specifications are contained in a submission to the Cabinet for permission to conduct preliminary geological surveys in four places. The request has been made by the Department of the Nuclear Industry Radiogenic Waste Executive, Nirex, which is based at Harwell, Oxfordshire. Government consent is expected this month. Opponents, such as Friends of the Earth and the Town and Country Planning Association, expect an attempt to bypass part of the planning process.

Jaguar's luxurious new sleek look

Designed to cruise beyond the year 2000, Jaguar's new, luxurious XJ40 was unveiled yesterday. The sleek successor to Jaguar's Series-3 is more modern in detail, with no single part being shared by the rvt models, except the steering wheel badge, according to CAR Magazine. The sleek successor to Jaguar's Series-3 is more modern in detail, with no single part being shared by the rvt models, except the steering wheel badge, according to CAR Magazine. The sleek successor to Jaguar's Series-3 is more modern in detail, with no single part being shared by the rvt models, except the steering wheel badge, according to CAR Magazine.

Thatcher condemns violence at Wapping

Continued from page 1. extremists in their own organizations. Mrs Thatcher replied: "We totally condemn the violence which has been occurring and which we saw on the television screens on Saturday night on the demonstrations outside Wapping. We understand that the majority were not thought to be printers. I nevertheless disapprove of the actions of the police in this way and we totally support the police." Outside of the Commons, Sir Bob Reid, the British Rail chairman, threatened legal action against the rail unions if they ordered their members to block News International publications. He also warned railway workers that they would be dismissed if they refused to handle copies of The Times, Asked what he would do if the contract was restored but the unions blacked the titles, Sir Bob replied: "We shall do exactly the same as last summer when people refused to go to work. We sacked them. We are managing this business, not the trade unions." Mr Arthur Brittain, a director of News International, yesterday denied that the company was considering printing its projected evening newspaper, The London Post, in Bowyer Street at Gray's Inn Road, using old technology and some of its dismissed print workers.

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# Drug death case opens after parents' fight for private prosecution

By Alan Hamilton

Gary Austin, aged 24, made legal history yesterday when he appeared at St Albans Crown Court on a manslaughter charge after the parents of his alleged victim brought a private prosecution against him.

It was the first time this century that a private prosecution for manslaughter had been committed for trial. The only other similar prosecution this century was in 1950, but magistrates decided then that there was insufficient evidence to commit the accused.

The prosecution alleges that John Raymond Williams, aged 19, died after Mr Austin, a fellow drug user, had helped him to administer an intravenous dose of a powerful painkiller used in the treatment of terminal cancer.

Williams, a dairy worker, lived with his parents at Whipperley Ring, Farley Hill, Luton, Bedfordshire.

His mother, Mrs Pauline Williams, spent more than three and a half years since her son died in 1982 bringing the

case to court after the Director of Public Prosecutions decided that Mr Austin, now aged 25, had no case to answer. The DPP later took over the prosecution.

Mr Austin, a dispatch rider, of Burton Road, Stockwell, south London, is charged with manslaughter in that he unlawfully killed Williams on September 2, 1982, and with administering Dexamoramide, a Class A controlled drug, so as to endanger life. At the opening of the trial before Mr Justice Staughton, Mr Austin pleaded not guilty on both counts.

Mr Alan Suckling, counsel for the prosecution, said it was clear that Williams had taken drugs before his death. Earlier that day he had met a friend, Anthony Denton, who described him as looking flushed, but well enough to play football. Williams asked to be taken to Mr Austin's flat in Luton, which was known to be used for injecting drugs.

There, Williams asked for a syringe, and produced a folded

piece of paper containing an orange pill. The drug was known commercially as Palfium, a painkiller normally given to terminal cancer patients. Mr Suckling said, its active ingredient was a compound Dexamoramide.

It was normally administered by mouth as a pill, although occasionally as an injection under the skin.

Mr Suckling said that Williams took the syringe and pill into Mr Austin's kitchen and then went to the lavatory, from where he called Mr Austin. Mr Austin injected him in his right forearm.

Soon afterwards Williams's face turned pale and his lips blue, and he became unconscious. Mr Austin and others in the flat attempted to revive him by putting him in a cold bath, rubbing his body with towels, and administering mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and heart massage.

He was laid on the floor wrapped in a quilt while the others watched television. He moaned, but he did not regain consciousness.

After four hours he was placed in the street while Mr Austin called an ambulance, giving a false name and telephone number. Williams was pronounced dead soon after arrival at hospital.

A post-mortem examination found signs of acute cerebral and pulmonary oedema—fluid in the brain and lungs—and traces of the drug in his organs and arm. The amount appeared to be below the normal clinical dose.

Mr Austin was said to have told the police later: "I administered the fix. I wish I had given it to myself." Asked by the police if he realized the potential danger, he said he had "just done it as a favour".

In a further statement, Mr Austin was said to have admitted helping Williams to inject on several previous occasions. This time he had put the needle in the vein, but Williams had pressed the plunger.

Giving evidence, Williams's friend, Mr Denton, said that Williams had not been an habitual hard drug taker.

He agreed that Williams had produced the Palfium pill himself and had not been given it by Mr Austin.

The case continues today.



## Helpful children are honoured

Kristoffer Hanlihan, aged six, from Brightingsea, Essex, was among more than 150 children honoured yesterday in the annual Child of Achievement awards, at Guildhall, London.

The boy, born with deformed legs, is described by his mother as "full of life and joy" and has triumphed over his disability to organize games of football

among his friends. The television personalities Leslie Crowther, Sarah Greene, Arabella Warner, Matthew Kelly and Nino Firetto presented the awards to children from all over Britain for their everyday efforts to help others, or determination to overcome physical disabilities.

(Photograph: John Voos).



The dead youth's parents, Mr Ray and Mrs Pauline Williams, and, below, John Williams (left) and Gary Austin.

## Jail for addicts who killed

Two addicts who killed while under the influence of drugs were jailed yesterday.

Unemployed Alan Walton had only a "blurred and confused memory" of a series of assaults on his girlfriend's three-year-old daughter because of continued use of heroin and other drugs.

Nicola Bushell died after being prodded with Walton's finger, punched, kicked and carried hit with a hairbrush.

And after the last assault Walton had left to get some more heroin. Manchester Crown Court was told.

Drug addict Joseph Carlton-Armstrong's mistress died after he had beaten her with pieces of wood; but he then tried desperately to warm her up.

He put her near a fire, which resulted only in scorching her, then in a hot bath and afterwards tucked her up in bed. The girl's injuries would not have been life threatening, if she had been taken to hospital quickly.

And Judge Richard Lowry at the Central Criminal Court said medical evidence suggested that Carlton-Armstrong's

brain and personality had been eroded by years of drug addiction.

Carlton-Armstrong, aged 35, pleading guilty to the manslaughter of Susan Brady, 30, at their home in Vanbrugh House, Loddiges Road, Hackney, on December 1, 1984. He was jailed for eight years.

Walton, of Dean Road, Gorton, Manchester, pleaded guilty to murdering Nicola Bushell.

His plea of guilty to manslaughter was accepted by the prosecution and he was jailed for five years.

## Aids case no threat to children

There is no danger of children at a Mid Glamorgan primary school contracting acquired immune deficiency syndrome (Aids) from a pupil with the virus, a local community physician said yesterday.

Alan Davies said the risk of the child with the virus developing AIDS was negligible, with virtually no chance of its being passed on to other children.

The unnamed pupil, who attends the Treales Primary School at Laleston, near Bridgend, got the virus while receiving treatment for hemophilia.

A meeting of parents of pupils, to be addressed by Professor Al Bloom, of the haematology department at the University College of Medicine, Cardiff, an acknowledged international expert, will be held next week to allay fears about the disease.

## £25,000 in will for two dogs

Two dogs have been left £25,000 by their mistress. To keep them in the lap of luxury.

Well-known artist, Miss Mary Thane Jacob, an artist, of King Post, Rotvenden, Kent, who was in her 70s when she died last August, left the £25,000 to her trustees, "the income to be used for the maintenance of her two pug dogs for a period up to 21 years from her death", according to her will, published yesterday.

Close friend Mrs Peta Taylor-Jones said: "Mary loved her dogs."

"She also left cash to other animal charities."

Miss Jacob's solicitor, Mr Richard Isaac, said: "The money has been invested and the income will be used to help to keep the dogs."

Miss Jacob, who came from a wealthy family, left estate valued at £375,239 gross, £372,963 net in her will.

## 'Peerage' in three volumes

The winding-up of the company, Burke's Peerage and Baronetage, will have no effect on the publication of Burke's Peerage, one of the main reference books on aristocratic lineage, nor on its large ancestral research programme, Mr Harold Brooks-Baker, Burke's publishing director, said yesterday.

A new and much bigger edition of the Peerage, the first for 17 years, will be published in the autumn. It will be in three volumes and will cost £100.

The wound-up company, Burke's Peerage and Baronetage, had been set up as a subsidiary by Burke's previous owners before the company was taken over by the Ravensdale group two years ago. It had never served any purpose, Mr Brooks-Baker said.

## Postmaster entitled to an earldom

By Ronald Faux

Four years of detective work presented to the court of the Lord Lyon King of Arms in Edinburgh has established Mr Kenneth Murray, a retired postmaster from Cravelly Beach, Tasmania, as the eleventh Earl of Dunmore, Viscount Fincastle and Lord Murray of Blair, Moulis and Tillemont.

The ruling that will allow the former Mr Murray to sit in the House of Lords meant discounting nine other family lines with a prior claim. The problem was Mr Murray's great great uncle, Commander Augustus Charles Murray, a man with a wandering nature and wayward eye.

Sir Crispin Agnew, of Lochaw, Unicorn Pursuivant to the Lord Lyon, who presented the Murray case, said yesterday: "Commander Augustus Murray left the British Navy in 1849 and joined the British Diplomatic Mission to the Turkish Empire."

"We knew that in 1855 he was in New York and Wisconsin, but it was in 1851 that he married an American heiress, Abbie Lee, and possibly lived with her until 1860 when records show he was back in London fathering illegitimate children."

"In this case they do not count, but we have to prove that his marriage to Abbie Lee

did not produce any legitimate heirs."

She was traced to Paris. The card index of American deaths in France showed that she died in 1920, aged 91, and left no descendants.

It was that record that allowed Mr Murray, a widower, the title. His son, Malcolm, aged 39, will be entitled to call himself Viscount Fincastle and his second son Geoffrey, aged 36, may call himself "the Honourable".

The new earl said he planned to visit London soon. He doubted that he would ever settle in Britain even a title did not compensate for the British climate.

## Screening of cancer criticized

By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

Fifteen English district health authorities were identified yesterday as failing to make any plans for screening women for cervical cancer, which caused 1,960 deaths in 1983.

Sir Gordon Downey, Comptroller and Auditor General, said that the Department of Health and Social Security should ensure that regional authorities rigorously monitored the progress of districts in "rectifying the position".

He added in a report: "Despite two reviews, the programme in England seems to have had no significant effect upon the death rate. There had been a fall of only 13 per cent in deaths from cervical cancer in the 10 years to 1983."

National Audit Office investigators found that, while 127 of every 1,000 women were screened in the Mersey region, "consistently the lowest performer for a number of years", 260 were screened in the North Western region.

But Sir Gordon added: "It is a matter of considerable concern that as at June 1985, 41 authorities, representing some 20 per cent of authorities in England, still had no comprehensive arrangements for the 'call' and/or 'recall' of women in the priority group."

The 15 districts with no "firm plans" for comprehensive testing were: South West Devon, Peterborough, Bloomsbury, City and Hackney, Hampstead, Haringey, Tower Hamlets, Hastings, Eastbourne, North West Surrey, Twickenham and Rochampton, North East Hampshire, Bath, Wycombe and Mid Staffordshire.

National Health Service: Preventive Medicine (House of Commons Paper 229, Stationery Office, £3.80).

## 'Satanism' man's luxury cars

A man bought a Lotus sports car the day a "highly gullible" clergyman obtained £25,000 for him to finance an alleged crusade against satanism, Maidstone Crown Court was told yesterday.

Derry Knight, aged 46, had convinced the Rector of Newick, Sussex, that he needed the money to break his links with a satanic circle and buy its insignia to break its power.

Mr Michael Corkery, QC, for the prosecution, said the Rev John Baker had approached Mr Gordon Scott, adviser to the charitable P & P Trust.

In a letter, the rector asked: "Please pray for Derry—he needs a great deal of prayer and divine protection."

The rector negotiated a loan of £25,000 from the charity on November 8 1984. "The date is of interest", Mr Corkery said, "for on that same day the defendant bought a Lotus motor car for £17,000."

Mr Knight, a record producer, of Dormans Land, Surrey, has denied 19 charges of dishonestly obtaining £203,850 by deception.

Mr Corkery also alleged that Mr Knight had "conned" £37,500 from Lord Hampden, a parishioner of Mr Baker, to buy a Rolls-Royce.

"The rector said the defendant needed the Rolls-Royce to convince his satanic colleagues that he still had influence."

Mr Corkery said that Mr Knight spent tens of thousands of pounds on jewellery, clothing and cars. He would pick up prostitutes and other women, shower them with gifts, and then leave them.

Mr Baker, aged 49, told the court that when he heard of Mr Knight's problems he immediately prayed.

The case continues today.

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### Fees decision fought on two points

## QC's arguments win judge's leave for Bar Council's action

The Bar won leave yesterday in the High Court to start its legal challenge against the Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone.

It was an ex-parte application by Robert Alexander, QC, chairman of the Bar Council, for leave to seek a judicial review of the Lord Chancellor's decision to make regulations under section 39 (1) of the Legal Aid Act 1974, as amended, to increase with effect from 1 April, 1986 by no more than 5 per cent the level of fees payable to barristers under the Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings (Costs) Regulations 1982, as amended.

The case was put by Mr Thomas Morrison, QC, for the Bar, Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Macpherson in the Queen's Bench Division Bench.

Mr Morrison said: "We consider it appropriate in the circumstances of this case that leave should be sought in open court because, were the application to be successful we would seek an indication from the Court that the substantive hearing should take place quickly."

"The test for grant of leave is whether there is an arguable case for leave. The leave procedure is designed to weed out trivial or frivolous applications. In those circumstances I shall endeavour to be quite brief and not seek to confuse the matter any more than necessary."

"The nub of this application is a letter from the Lord Chancellor delivered to the applicant on February 7. The applicant brings these proceedings not in a representative capacity, but by virtue of his position as Chairman of the Bar and thus a representative of the Bar Council."

"The way in which we attack the decision of the Lord Chancellor as being unlawful rests on two propositions."

"Firstly, that the Bar had a legitimate expectation of being consulted and negotiated with before he reached his decision."

"Secondly, that the decision was made without such consultation or negotiation."

"The legitimate expectation arises in two ways. Firstly, the general principle of fairness, which requires those who are affected by exercises of statutory powers, in the context of this particular case, should be properly consulted and negotiated with before that power is exercised."

"Secondly, by virtue of past practice the Bar had a legitimate expectation of being consulted and negotiated with by the Lord Chancellor's Department before the Lord Chancellor exercised his power."

### Many barristers affected by ruling

"Mr Alexander's affidavit indicates approximately two or three thousand barristers; it is not possible to give precise figures, who practise exclusively or to a substantial extent at the criminal Bar."

"For the majority a great part of the work is defence work and is remunerated by legal aid."

"The power to make regulations must therefore be seen to affect the livelihood of a large number of practising barristers."

"In making the regulations the Lord Chancellor is under a duty to have regard to the principles for allowing fair remuneration for work actually and reasonably done."

"The Bar Council represents, protects and promotes the interest of all sections of the Bar, including those who practise in criminal courts, and it is this body with whom the Lord Chancellor's department would negotiate."

"It was essential in the interests of fairness that the Lord Chancellor should give proper consideration about the levels of fees, as the 1974 Act did not allow for a free market."

"In the special circumstances of this case what the Lord Chancellor has the power to do will affect a large proportion of barristers. There is implicit in it that he shall negotiate with the only body available, namely the Bar Council."

"Their legitimate expectation stems largely from past practices and assurances which from time to time have been given."

"We rely on three facts and matters," Mr Morrison said.

"Firstly, the response by the Government to the Benson Report. You will see from the papers that the Bar had recommended a fees advisory body, and the one reason it had was because the then existing procedures were unfair and created a strong sense of grievance."

"Secondly, the fact that there were consultations, and a degree of consultation both before the 1982 regulations were made and before the annual amending regulations."

"Thirdly, the Bar rely upon the express statement made before the Cooper and Lybrand report was commissioned, and after it was published, to support our proposition that there was a legitimate expectation of consultation and negotiation."

"What the test should be is no doubt a matter for debate. The point here in our submission is not that the Lord Chancellor has chosen the wrong test. He has not adopted any test of fairness at all."

"The Bar's case is that there is no rational basis for the present level of remuneration or the present level plus 5 per cent, which the Lord Chancellor proposes to introduce."

"The present level of fees is merely the result of accumulative and ad hoc decisions taken over many years."

"The Lord Chancellor's Department recognises this was the time for introducing the regulations simply as holding regulations. They were introduced in haste, as a result of pressure on the Lord Chancellor's Department to effect greater control of criminal legal aid," Mr Morrison said.

Here Lord Justice Watkins intervened and said: "I think we have heard enough, all we have to be satisfied about is that there is an arguable case and what you have told us seems to amount to that. So you have your leave."

### Embarrassment in Department

"Our legitimate expectation was therefore denied with no consultation or negotiation."

"No meeting took place and despite many attempts being made no meeting took place, as Your Lordship knows."

"The only other contact that occurred before the end of January, apart from the correspondence, was a lunch between someone from the Lord Chancellor's Department and a partner of Cooper and Lybrand on January 29."

"At that lunch was detected a sense of personal embarrassment on behalf of the Lord Chancellor's Department at the way it had gone."

"The very next thing that happened was that Mr Alexander was notified by the Lord Chancellor's private secretary asking him to attend on February 7."

"On February 7, the date before EGM of the Bar, he saw the Lord Chancellor and was handed the decision letter. The letter not merely disappointed, but doubly disturbed," Mr Morrison said.

Lord Justice Watkins asked: "Are you taking the point that what the Lord Chancellor has done in practical terms is to say that in the public sector around 5 per cent is permissible, and having done that he made no study in order to see whether or what rise was necessary to see what was fair remuneration?"

Mr Morrison said that was partly how they put it. "We say that a decision was reached and was taken without any consultation or negotiation with the Bar despite their expectation that such would take place."

He said if he had to mention law authorities he would refer to the House of Lords cases:

(1) The Attorney-General of Hong Kong v Shiu, 1983 Appeal Cases, p629.

(2) GCHQ case involving the Council for Civil Service Unions, 1985 Appeal Cases, p374.

(3) The Income Tax Commissioners case, 1985 Appeal Cases, p835.

"Applying those principles we say there was a legitimate expectation, before the regulations were introduced, on the existence of practices which they could reasonably expect to continue, and representations made to the Bar."

"Our second ground that in making the decision he failed properly to have regard to the principle of fair remuneration for work actually and reasonably done."

"We say two things. Firstly that he rejected the Cooper and Lybrand study on the basis that he remained to be convinced by it. His letter is full of the fact that he remained to be convinced."

"He remained to be convinced because he deprived himself of the opportunity of discussion and negotiation and relied upon matters leading him to be unconvinced, which were in our submission, groundless, and would have been shown to be so had he entered into consultation."

"The reason we say they were groundless arises from a letter from Cooper and Lybrand in February where it deals with each of the points made by the Lord Chancellor in his decision letter."

"It shows that on occasion there has been misunderstanding of the work they have done and that some of the points made by the Lord Chancellor are immaterial and wholly insignificant."

"We say that in the light of the history and the assurances of negotiations it was wrong in principle for him to approach the matter on the basis that the onus was on the Bar to convince him."

"The duty on the Lord Chancellor when prescribing fees is to have regard to the principles of fair remuneration and to approach it on a considered and rational basis."

## Marcos ally on murder charge

Manila (AP) - A powerful political ally of President Marcos was charged yesterday with the murder in ambush of seven opposition supporters on the eve of the 1984 National Assembly elections.

The Ministry of Justice said that the charges against Assemblyman Arturo Pacificador and six men described as his bodyguards were filed in home province of Antique.

Mr Pacificador is deputy leader of Mr Marcos's New Society Movement in the National Assembly and is also deputy highways minister.

He has already denied any involvement in the ambush as well as in the murder last week of Mr Evelio Javier, his rival for Antique's Assembly seat in the 1984 election.

Mr Javier, the campaign manager for Mrs Corason Aquino, was shot dead in San José, the capital of Antique. Witnesses said that the gunman arrived in a vehicle owned by Mr Pacificador.

A soldier said to be linked to Mr Javier's killing is among those charged with Mr Pacificador.

Unsettled peace: An uneasy peace has descended over the contending presidential camps



Students and workers protesting in Manila yesterday against US support for Mr Marcos

as Mr Philip Habib, the US envoy, shuttles round the capital interviewing all parties (David Watts writes).

The vast popular support for Mrs Aquino and her campaign of boycotting firms, banks and products associated with Mr Marcos's friends satisfies her for the moment.

She clearly believes that time is on her side and, judging from the confidence of the Aquino camp after their first meeting with Mr Habib, she thinks she has found sympathy there, too.

But others, both on her staff

and outside, are worried that she may have lost the initiative in the struggle to dislodge Mr Marcos.

The President had regained much of his commanding style when he met the press at the weekend, leading many to think that the sheer exercise of power had forced Mrs Aquino on the defensive.

"Peaceful means are not the way of getting any dictator out," said a left-wing lawyer who backs Mrs Aquino, but is becoming disillusioned with some of her methods.

"Whether or not we are

## Turin goes to war against the Devil

From Peter Nichols Rome

Cardinal Ballestrero, the Archbishop of Turin, has shocked the city by appointing six specially trained priests to deal with the growing demand for exorcism from people who believe they are possessed by the Devil.

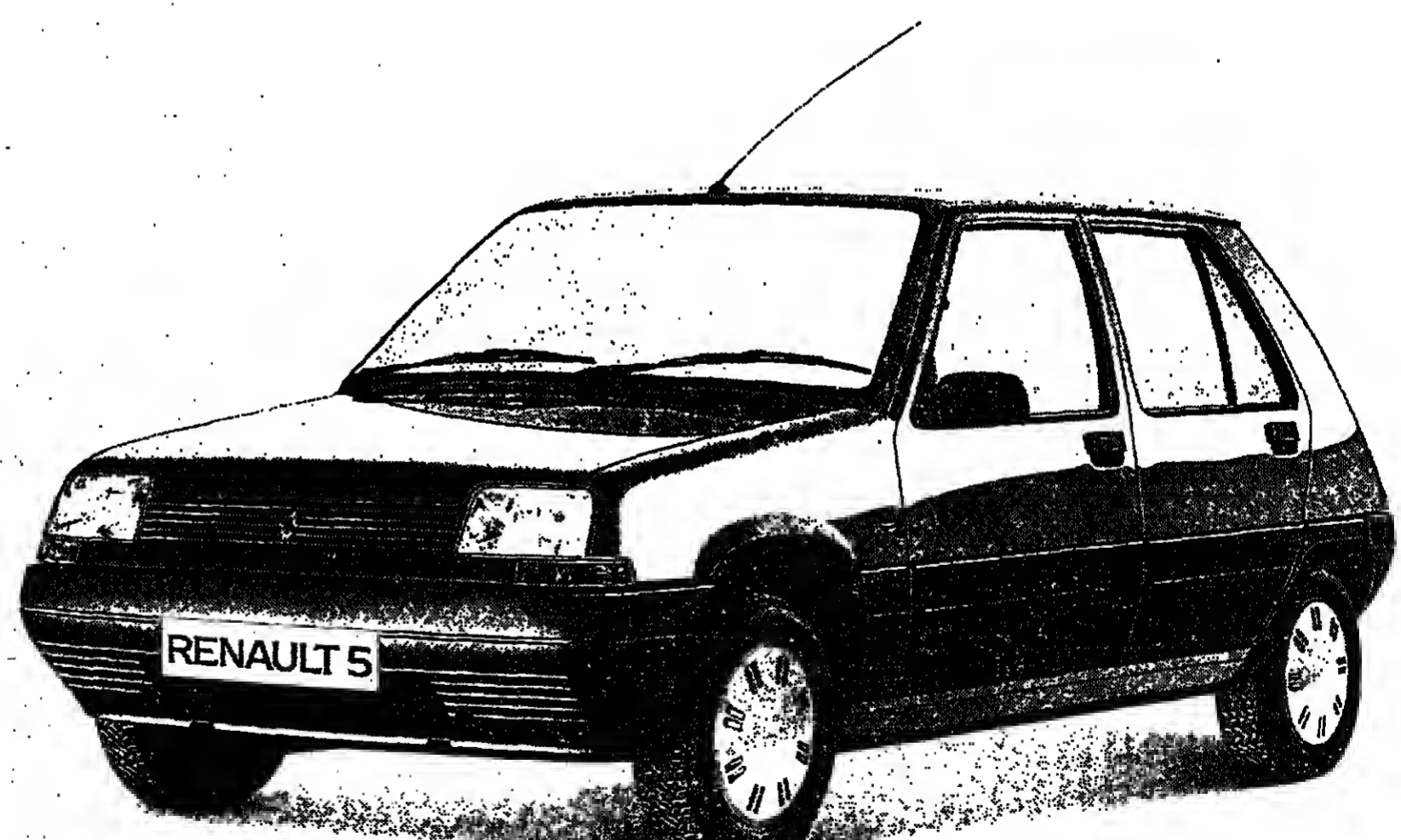
The fact that the Devil is making himself felt in Italy's greatest industrial city, rather than in some old centre of medieval learning or a city traditionally tied to ideas of pleasure and licence, accounts for the sense of shock. Turin's character is rather puritanical.

The cardinal says that a real problem exists. He describes as incredible the number of people who ascribe their troubles to the Devil or who feel possessed. His new appointments are drawn from priests with wider experience than mere exorcism.

It would be a mistake, he says, to regard them as priests armed simply with holy water. They are expert theologians, anthropologists and psychologists.

The cardinal ascribes it all to the falling off of religious faith. When faith declines people look for substitutes, he says.

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# Troops moved to shanty town as Pretoria admits 19 dead

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Troops were deployed in the black suburb of Alexandra, on the northern outskirts of Johannesburg, yesterday as violence continued for the fourth day amid wildly conflicting estimates of casualties.

In parliament Mr Adrian Vlok, the deputy minister of law and order, said that 19 people had been killed and 37 wounded since Saturday, when two funerals turned to protest rallies.

Mr Vlok said 16 were shot dead by police, two burned to death and a black policeman hacked to death by rioters. Police in Pretoria had previously refused to confirm more than 10 deaths.

According to Mr Vlok, among the wounded 27 were shot by police; five were hurt by rioters, one being shot and four hit by stones; and five policemen were burned in petrol bomb attacks.

Since Saturday, he said, 130 separate incidents of violence had been recorded.

Meanwhile Dr Beyers Naude, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, who visited Alexandra on Monday with a delegation of churchmen, spoke of "reports of approximately 80 being killed" and several hundred injured.

Heavily armed troops and police guarded every exit and entrance to the grim, dusty shanty settlement, which, unlike most black townships, lies alongside well-to-do white residential suburbs.

Armoured personnel carriers constantly patrolled the perimeter roads and all television crews and journalists were barred.

Mr Michael Buck and Mr Graham Leach, BBC reporters, were allegedly detained by police.

Earlier, police stopped a march by an estimated crowd of some 30,000 Alexandra residents to a police station in the neighbouring white suburb of Wynberg where, according to local priests, they intended to demand the release of the bodies of those killed.

Some of the injured have been treated in emergency civil defence clinics set up on the outskirts of the settlement.

In the apartheid scheme of things, Alexandra is an anachronism - it is the only black suburb left near the white residential areas of Johannesburg, its being black dates back to the beginning of the century, and it is one of the few places where blacks still have freehold rights.

Similar areas, notably Sophiatown in south-western Johannesburg, were razed in the 1950s and their inhabitants moved to Soweto, 10 miles south-west of the city.

# Duke sees conservation success story

From Michael Hamlyn Chitwan, Nepal

The Duke of Edinburgh, on the back of an elephant called Chanchal Kali - roughly "nimble lady" - was offered the chance of pulling the trigger of the Palmer capture gun loaded with a tranquillizing dart. "No thank you", he said, "you do it."

His elephant and 26 others formed a circle around a profoundly nervous four-ton male rhinoceros, later christened Philip, while the beast was shot in the haunch. It took ten minutes for the drug, known as M99, to work, and the animal finally lay on its side and slept.

A dozen game wardens scrambled over the slumbering beast, measured it and checked it, and fastened on it a bleeping radio collar so that it could be tracked in future as part of a big conservation project in the area.

The last time Prince Philip was in this park (now called the Royal Chitwan National Park, but then, in 1961, more simply known as the Royal Game Reserve) he was also determined to shoot a rhino. He had a painful sore on his finger.

The Queen, on the first day of her state visit to Nepal, stayed back in Kathmandu, the capital, and had a quiet day in a royal lodge belonging to Nepal's King Birendra. "She probably spent the day reading *L'ogues*", suggested one British diplomat. The reason was that she had arrived in the country just in time for Democracy Day, a major festival in the calendar of the monarchy here. The King and Queen of Nepal were accordingly busy elsewhere.

Prince Philip, however, took a flight in a Super Puma helicopter, which is often piloted by 40-year-old King Birendra, past the uncaring serenity of the snow-capped fringes of the Himalayas to the riverine elephant-grass-covered game park.



Making friends: The Duke of Edinburgh in Chitwan National Park, Nepal, yesterday. The Duke also saw conservation work being carried out in the park on the parial, a fish-eating crocodile with a snake-like long, narrow snout. Eight years ago the parial population was down to what

# British protest at NZ visit ban

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From Richard Lowe Wellington

Admiral of the Fleet Sir John Fieldhouse, Britain's Chief of Naval Staff, made it clear here yesterday that Britain stood with the United States in opposing New Zealand's ban on visits of nuclear-armed or nuclear-powered warships.

Sir John, who had talks with the New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr David Lange, Cabinet ministers, defence chiefs and the New Zealand Defence Council, said "later" he explained to the Defence Council precisely where the United Kingdom stood in this matter.

According to sources close to the talks, Sir John told ministers about Britain's firm opposition to the visit provisions of New Zealand's anti-nuclear legislation, expected to be formally approved by Parliament later this year.

Mr Lange later described the exchange of views as forthright. He added: "It is perfectly clear that the British Government and the British view is that New Zealand's decision is a matter that it cannot accept and that it is their view that it has implications for security beyond New Zealand."

Sir John said in an interview afterwards that it would be a sad day if the legislation was passed and Royal Navy ships would have to stop visiting New Zealand for the first time since Captain Cook chartered the country's shores in 1769.

Royal Navy and American Navy ships would not be able to visit under the new legislation as they refuse to disclose which of their ships carry nuclear weapons.

Sir John said the New Zealand Government had undertaken to talk about the legislation and that process was under way.

"Let me make it quite clear that it will be extremely sad if we are required to break this relationship. And let me make it equally clear that it is not the British Government that has changed its policy. It is the New Zealand Government which has changed its policy."

He was categorical in the effect the New Zealand ban would have on the Western alliance. Deterrence had been at the heart of Nato policy and this had been successful in preventing war in Europe.

"I find it hard to believe that that policy has not also acted to the advantage of New Zealand. Although this country is geographically isolated from the European theatre... I don't believe there is an area of the world where you can consider yourself to be in a corner, fenced in and guaranteed peaceful existence."

# Coup trial generals get bail

Bangkok (AP) - After two previous refusals, an appeals court decided to grant bail of 2.5 million baht (\$66,000) each to five former generals charged with trying to overthrow the Thai Government last September.

The court decided that the five did not intend to flee once released. They were arrested nine days after the coup attempt, in which five people died. Forces loyal to the Prime Minister, General Prem Tinsulanonda, put down the insurrection within hours.

The defendants, who have been standing trial since January 8 on charges of sedition, are Kriangsak Chomanand, former prime minister, Sern Nanakorn, Krasae Intharatana, Yod Thephadsadin and Aroon Phromthep.

Thirty-five other people also face sedition charges in connection with the coup attempt, but court officials said they had not requested bail.

# Euro court upholds UK bar on oil sales

From a Correspondent, Luxembourg

The European Court of Justice yesterday upheld a British ban on sales of oil to Israel, and ruled that the ban was not illegal under the terms of a European Community Agreement with Israel.

The Luxembourg court's judgement is crucial to a five-year legal battle sparked off when the British petroleum and oil traders Sun Oil International refused to supply North Sea crude to a Swiss-based company, Bulk Oil, with a secret contract for delivery to Israel.

The British ban, which has never been written into United Kingdom law, has been in force since 1979. The Labour Government asked oil companies to comply with a policy statement specifically worded to exclude Israel and South Africa without mentioning either country by name.

When Sun learnt that the destination of the shipment from Sullom Voe was Israel, BP said Sun refused to load the oil on board ship, because BP's contract with Sun said the oil could be delivered to any country, provided this was "in line with United Kingdom policy."

Bulk took its claim against Sun to arbitration. But the arbitrator was unimpressed and awarded Sun damages of \$12 million instead, because Bulk had been in breach of its contract to supply the oil to a country acceptable to the British Government.

But when Bulk took the case to court in Britain, new questions were raised. The High Court turned to Luxembourg for guidance.

The European Court, however, seems to have dispelled any uncertainty by saying that the EEC-Israel agreement does not prevent Britain from restricting exports to Israel, even if it cannot obstruct imports.

But Britain has been rapped lightly over the knuckles for not informing the EEC authorities in Brussels and its EEC partners of its new policy before introducing the ban in 1979. That was against EEC rules, the court said yesterday, but it did not constitute any infringement of Bulk's rights which had to be protected by British courts.

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The sources say he will both open and close the Church's eucharistic congress, which would mean his spending at least a week there.  
Discussions are taking place between the Church and the Polish authorities on his itinerary. It is expected to include Cracow, where he was archbishop before being elected Pope in 1978.  
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Strike called

Planes wait

Rescuers die

Oil-fusion



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Troubled times for US drugs giant

Deaths end capsule sales

New Brunswick, New Jersey (AP) — Johnson & Johnson has decided no longer produce over-the-counter medicines in capsules...

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ago ingested the chemical from Tylenol capsules he took shortly before he collapsed (UPI reports).

"At this stage of the investigation, we don't know how when or even if the cyanide was put into the capsules," a police officer said.

Dynasty fights maid for will fortune

From Michael Binyon Washington One of America's most bizarre challenges to a multi-millionaire's will began in a New York court yesterday...

giant company, died in 1983 at the age of 87, leaving virtually his entire estate valued at between \$400 million and \$1 billion (\$286 million to £714 million) to his third wife Basia...

ing tea to Mr Johnson and his second wife Esthr. Within one year of her arrival the Johnson marriage was destroyed.

The family claims that as Mr Johnson grew old and sick with cancer he hired a woman virtually imprisoned here in their California home...

Journalist set free by Tamils

Colombo — Mrs Penelope Willis, the 64-year-old British freelance journalist kidnapped by Tamil guerrillas on January 17, was released yesterday into the care of the British High Commission...



Mr Turgut Ozal, the Turkish Prime Minister, meeting the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Allan Davis, yesterday at the Mansion House.

Ozal wants Turkey in EEC within 10 years

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent Mr Turgut Ozal, the Turkish Prime Minister, outlined the case for eventual Turkish membership of the European Community...

ed to a revival of Turkey's association agreement and would be certain to block full Turkish membership while the Cyprus problem remains unresolved.

Drinkers pay their dues

Moscow (AFP) — Fines under new Soviet anti-alcohol laws have netted the Ulyanovsk region east of Moscow \$1.2 million (about £860,000) since last June.

Fire toll 16

Rio de Janeiro (AFP) — The death toll in a fire that ravaged a 13-story building here has risen to 16 and is expected to rise further as workers continue their search for victims.

Bomb arrests

Brussels (AFP) — Police investigating a suspected bomb-smuggling ring have seized 143lb of explosives and devices from a city garage after arresting four people.

Drug haul

San Salvador (Reuters) — Police arrested a seven-man drug ring carrying \$658,000 (£470,000) in cash and cocaine worth \$249,000 as they prepared to smuggle 154 packets of cocaine to Los Angeles.

Tigers at risk

Peking (Reuters) — China last week welcomed the Year of the Tiger, but its 200 tigers in the wild may not survive until the next tiger year, 1998, a leading newspaper said.

Strike called

Delhi (Reuters) — India's opposition parties have called a national one-day general strike, to exclude the capital, in protest against Government price increases for essential goods on February 26.

Planes wait

Madrid — A work-to-rule protest by air traffic controllers wanting more pay and better equipment caused delays of up to five hours at Madrid airport on Monday.

Rescuers die

Lisbon — Seven Portuguese seamen drowned in trying to save the 25 crew of a ship adrift in heavy Atlantic seas. They were taken off by helicopter, but only one man from the rescue ship survived.

Cat-fusion

Wellington (Reuters) — A stray cat fused its nine lives in one electrifying burst when it stepped into generating equipment, blowing out the power system of a large meatworks near Dunedin.

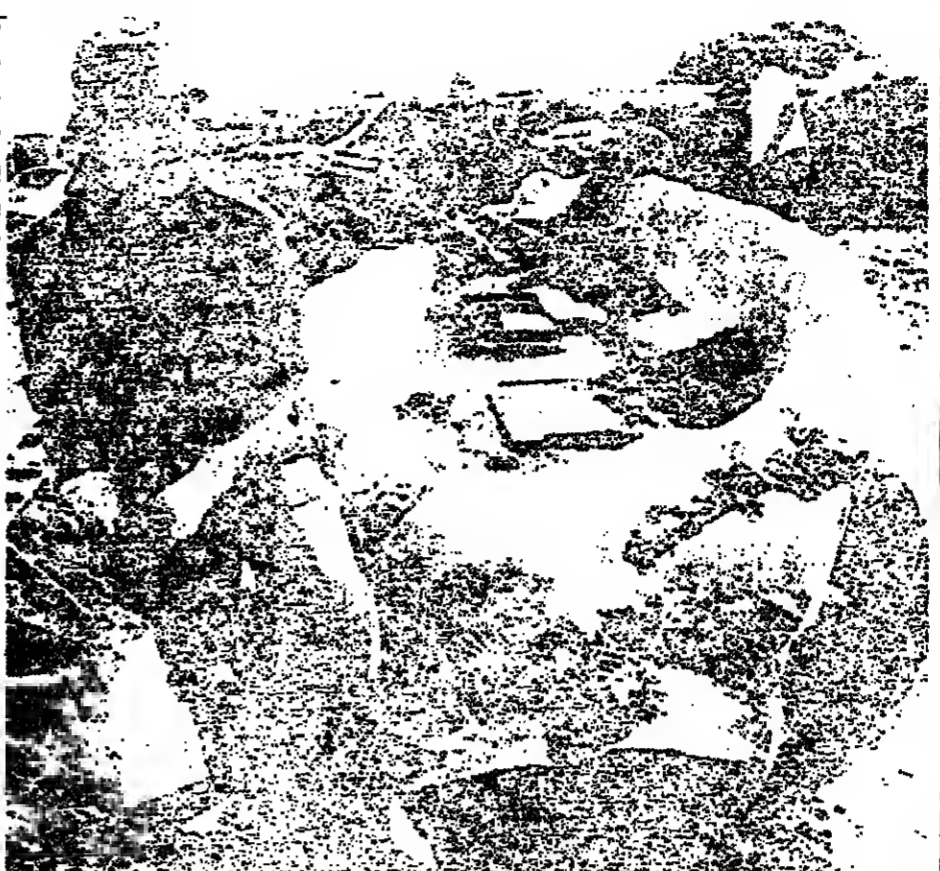
Bill on euthanasia blocked

The Hague (Reuters) — The Dutch Government has blocked euthanasia legislation despite majority support but its backers still say The Netherlands is likely to be the first country to allow mercy-killing.

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Mr Mendel Nana, an archaeologist specializing in the Sea of Galilee area, picking through the mud at the bow of a 27th boat dating from the time of Jesus Christ. The boat was found with other artefacts recently when the water level was lowered.

Britons' role in Uganda war

From Richard Dowden, Kampala

The Okello regime in Uganda employed British mercenaries to fly and arm its helicopter gunships, according to an American airman being questioned by the authorities here.

Before they arrived, however, Canadian employees of a Swiss company, Claresite, had already fitted the weapons and were flying the helicopters.

After one mission the helicopter picked up 11 bullet holes so Bert said he wouldn't fly it any more. But Waugh went on flying, and I'm told he flew one of the combat missions."

Defence Systems is a respectable Westminster-based security firm, which employs mainly former Special Air Services personnel. Its chairman is Viscount Monckton of Breconley and it would not operate in a country without

The Italian company responsible for servicing the aircraft refused to fit the weapons, and so Defence Systems was called in. It sent two pilots and three armours, four of them British.

These cautious circling around the issue were representative of the mood of uncertainty here yesterday. Herr Kohl might be a trouble-buff but he continues to deny knowledge of where the money eventually went. It could all have been used. What had started as little more than a ploy by the Green MP and radical lawyer Her Otto Schily — an application to the prosecutors for an investigation of whether Herr Kohl told the truth about evading payments to the Christian Democrats by business — suddenly looked more serious.

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Television  
The life of Lulu

The late Louise Brooks was the silent screen's perfect... sparky, balletic, sexually voracious, incandescently beautiful and possessed of the most enticingly vulnerable throat in cinema history.

And, as we know from Kenneth Tynan's celebrated New Yorker profile and from her own Lulu in Hollywood, Brooks's career ran a decidedly peculiar gamut, from a teenage Ziegfeld beauty to her last, ignoble appearance in 1938 opposite John Wayne and a ventriloquist's dummy.

Tynan's monochrome ghost resurfaced to repeat his justified hyperbole, there were tantalizingly brief clips from his heroine's early, off-the-peg flapper-eras, and we learnt that Anita Loos had suggested casting her as a cigar-store Indian.

Brooks herself remained lithely unimpressed by her own talent, and her speech reflected the artifice of her journalism.

Her spoken recollections of Pabst's singular working methods, fascinating enough, if only because that heart-breaking mouth had finally acquired a voice, but the programme's account of her last 50 years was frustratingly thin.

In the Name of Charity (Central) presented a diametrically opposed female archetype, the resilient, caring earth mother for whom "parent" is a verb.

Jeanette Roberts, the solidly capable former district nurse who has acquired a "family" of 22 unwanted children, was the subject of Nigel Evans's 1984 documentary Taking the Lid Off: Recapping his earlier programme, Mr Evans showed the vast, disturbingly adult world removing to new digs in the Essex countryside, where they zealously set about reclaiming the lives of aged leprosy patients in an adjoining hospital home.

This documentary, both moving and baffling, had the feel of a rose-tinted children's film subverted by unknown menace. The mystery of who attempted to wreck the burgeoning friendship between the two sets of rejects through vandalism and threatening phone-calls was compounded by Mr Evans's extraordinarily spare narrative procedure, which at times gave the viewer far too much work to do. It was as compellingly artificial as any television drama.

Martin Cropper

Theatre  
Death of a sacred old slogan

One of Us  
Greenwich

In this retelling of the Burgess-Maclean affair, Robin Chapman offers the intriguing speculation that the original plan did not involve their joint flight to Moscow.

Burgess, according to Mr Chapman, was summoned home from Washington by Anthony Blunt as a trusted escort for the already suspected Maclean; and then made his own private decision to defect.

Mr Chapman takes treachery in earnest and is not afraid of driving his viewpoint through to an uncompromising conclusion. Even the setting, in the garden of Rees's Thames-side home (magically realized in Boh Crowley's assembly of semi-reflective plastic and pressed foliage), strikes the note of Elgarian patriotism.

Unfortunately, the queasy writhings of an uncommitted fellow-traveller do not easily lend themselves to theatrical character, and, no matter what they reveal about the post-war political conscience, Rees himself remains a largely passive figure. He even refers to himself as Mr. Nobody. And none of the Welsh aggression Anthony Andrews puts into the role can conceal the fact that, for most of the time, he is on the receiving end, trying to keep Burgess's friendship without endangering his job at All Souls, trying to preserve his marriage while



Forster's dictum renounced "after what all you have made of it": Goronwy Rees (Anthony Andrews, right) tackles Anthony Blunt (David Horovitch)

keeping the truth from his wife; and only escaping compromise in the final scene with Blunt.

Another disadvantage is that the action is laid out in this sequence more to advance a plot. Why, for instance, does Burgess descend on Rees's home and take him into his confidence when Rees is now nothing more than an old pal? Why does Burgess's flight throw him into a panic as if he too were involved?

Of the other characters, Burgess is written as a teasing, outrageous queer, and played with scene-stealing flamboy-

ance by Ian Ogilvy, who gets full shock value from the one moment when he drops the badinage and erupts in political passion. Blunt, a weary intruder in the household, is beautifully played by David Horovitch as a figure of old-fashioned dignity who involuntarily shows his panic in asking whether Rees has passed any secrets to his wife. Allan Strachan's production presents a clear line of thought through the evasions of the dialogue; as for feelings, Jenny Quayne projects believable distress as the bewildered child bride.

Irving Wardle

Concert  
Dmitri Alexeev  
Elizabeth Hall

The responsibility of being the leading Soviet pianist of the younger generation has occasionally seemed to weigh heavily on Dmitri Alexeev. Brilliant technique has always been evident, but sometimes his interpretations have sounded too sober-spirited.

This recital of Chopin's 24 Preludes and Four Ballades at least allowed tantalizing glimpses of a more extrovert Alexeev. There was genuine passion evident in the way he maintained the mercurial pattern-figuration of Prelude No 8 while driving on the underlying melody, and the sense of obsessive power he drew from No 15's repeated-note passage was compelling. But in other respects this performance fell some way short of his wonderful Chopin Waltzes recording issued last year — a recording which revealed his potential to join the highest rank of Russian Chopin interpreters.

In the EMI studios, of course, movements can be repeated until the technical and interpretative elements coincide in perfection. If only Alexeev could have taken a second shot at some of the preludes here: we might have heard a more controlled account of the frenetic No 16 than this frantic, jittery scamper, where the upper passage-work was increasingly swamped by desperately aggressive left-hand chords and heavy pedalling. On the other hand we might also have lost the spontaneous nobility of his phrasing in the celebrated A major Prelude, No 7.

That prelude also demonstrated, in miniature, Alexeev's unusual rubato style, tending in extend gaps between phrases rather than varying the tempo within them. It is a technique which at times seems to package Chopin's passings a little too neatly.

But his ability to highlight inner detail, to vary the distribution of weight where passages are repeated, and to shape more extended paragraphs persuasively, were all demonstrated in the Ballades. The F minor, opening with beautifully veiled tone and rising to a thoroughly convincing apotheosis, offered the evening's most expressive playing right at its conclusion.

Richard Morrison

Beneath One  
Banner  
Cumbernauld

Touring a play about the Orange and the Green around Scotland and Ireland may sound a little like legging burning coals to Newcastle — neither place needs much reminding of the tenacity of the divisions. This, though, is precisely the scheme for 7:84 Scotland's latest production: a piece of misty subversive expediency building on the inflammatory nature of the subject-matter in both places to re-focus on just what the opposition is.

Shaun McCarthy's new play shows us the development of divisions in a small Scottish port town in the mid-19th century, when the employers draft in a group of famished Irish families to work the pits, so forcing the hand of the local striking miners (the contemporary of the content needs little stressing). It could have been remorselessly

worthy. In fact it is a very funny, successful example of one sort of political theatre: a canny combination of the light-hearted and the heavy-handed, the subtle and the unsubtle, handled with a measure of self-irony.

McCarthy applies little detail to the divisions between the Orange and the Green themselves. His concern is the source of division, and his message that divisions in the labour force — be they orange/green or whatever else — lend power to the arm of those in charge, who actively encourage them. Not exactly a new theme, nor dealt with in depth, but given new energy by McCarthy's witty use of 19th-century melodrama, running a thin line between embracing it and parodying it.

David MacLennan's production keeps the pot boiling. Thoroughly enjoying the constant confrontations, a degree of stagey sentimentality and blends of the soft Irish and sharp Scots idioms, he puts them to good effect, abetted by the cast. They adopt their canco characters with agile

Sarah Hemming

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Rozhdestvensky/LSO triumph  
Rozhdestvensky's Stravinsky is a force to be reckoned with and, after his Firebird, on Sunday, one can only wait impatiently for The Rite of Spring which ends the series on February 20.

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David Robinson reports on Hungary's National Film Festival in Budapest  
Malaise so vividly experienced



Paradoxically the year's most exportable film for the universal human interest of its story: Pál Zolnay's Embryos

his second, Time Stood Still, received innumerable international awards, including the prize for the most promising film-maker at last year's Tokyo Festival. Working with a young novelist, Pál Esterházy (of the authentic Esterházy clan), he presents a surrealist vision of a young family's nightmare holiday. Their fortnight beside Lake Balaton throws them into contact with the past (the hotel caretaker is a sinister survivor from the dark Fifties) and the future (at the end of the film the father is an old man and his child grown up). The targets of this surreal satire are evidently more apparent to Hungarians, but there is no ignoring the belligerence of this explosive, puzzling film.

Nor, for all its unevenness, is there any doubt of the talent in György Szomjas's The Wall Driller, a satire about the private enterprise system — the hero gets ahead with an electric drill and sex-appeal — and the mores of an apartment-house complex. The new opportunities for private enterprise also provide the theme of Pál Erdős's Countdown. Fine performance in neo-documentary style are somewhat vitiated by the heavy-handed moral about the dangers, psychological and economic, of going it alone.

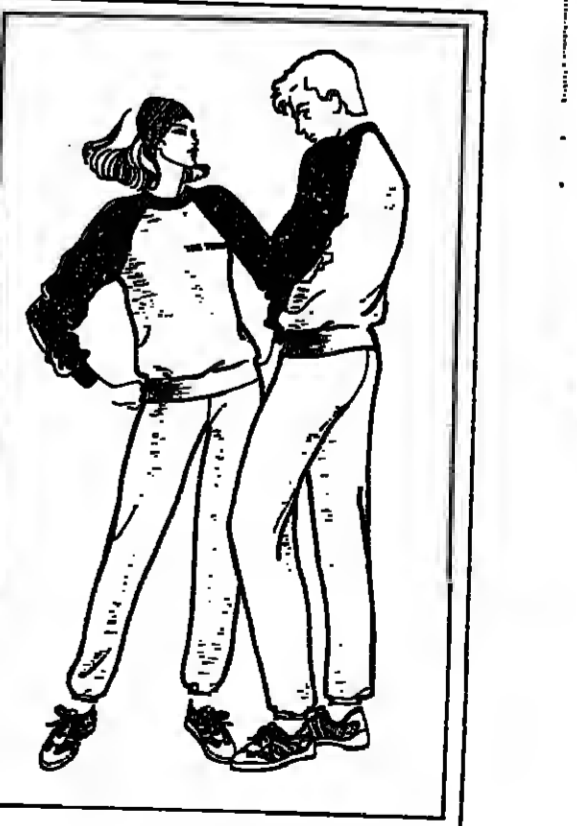
Pál Zolnay employs a comparable neo-documentary style in Embryos. Evidently made on a minimal budget, using video techniques, this is paradoxically the year's most exportable film for the universal interest of its story: the dilemma of an unmarried woman contemplating abortion is made the more poignant since she herself is a gynaecologist. The outstanding merit of this modest, highly accomplished film lies in the performances of two actresses, Erzsébet Gáti and Kati Lázár, who might be players from a work by Bergman.

Perhaps reflecting the national jury's reservations about the feature films, the main prize of the festival went to a multi-part documentary series by Sándor Sára which portrays the history of postwar Hungary through the changing fortunes of a stud-farm. Another notable documentary of the year, Pál Schiffer's Cowboys, was more immediately critical: a ciné-verité study of 18 months in the lives of five young people involved in the ups and downs of a less than efficient agricultural co-operative.

There is perhaps a lesson for the Hungarian cinema in the rousing — indeed riotous — reception accorded to two dismally inept comedies (Healthy Eroticism and The Enchanted Dollars) and a charmingly naive teen film (Love Till First Blood). The audience's enthusiasm for these and for any American import clearly indicates a vacuum to be filled. Much as we critics esteem Hungarian film-makers for the role they have assumed as the nation's mavericks, it is at their peril that they neglect or underestimate the need, if they are to reach their audience, to be entertainers too.

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# Bankruptcy fear at energy firm

Denver, Colorado (AP-Dow Jones) — Energy Management Corporation said yesterday it was seeking protection under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code, and cited \$24 million (\$17 million) in unsecured debt and the continuing slide in oil prices.

Under Chapter 11, a company continues to operate with court protection from creditors' lawsuits while it works out a plan to repay its debts.

The energy concern said it was under no pressure from its creditors to file for the protection. It said it owed two banks — which it refused to identify — about \$10 million in secured debt. Energy Management also owes holders of two debenture issues about \$24 million in unsecured debt. It added that it was not in default on its bank debt or bonds.

In nine months, the company has had a net loss of \$5.8 million on revenue of \$6.5 million. Earlier this month, Energy Management was delisted by the American Stock Exchange because it did not meet the exchange's requirements.

Meanwhile in California, federal regulators took control of American Diversified Savings Bank, a savings and loan (\$&L) institution with \$977

million in assets, after declaring it insolvent.

It was the sixth federal takeover of an S&L this year, and the third in California, a spokesman for the Federal Home Loan Board said.

Federal regulators contracted with Pacific Savings Bank, another S&L based here, to manage American Diversified. Regulators said the S&L would continue to operate during customary hours and its deposits would continue to be insured by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. American Diversified's only S&L office is in Los Angeles.

A bank board statement said the S&L had suffered a "significant dissipation of assets and earnings," had violated federal regulations and directives, and was operating in an unsafe and unsound condition.

American Diversified, a state-chartered stock institution, is 96 per cent owned by its chairman, Mr. Ranbu Sahni, and 4 per cent owned by its president, Mr. Lester Day, the bank board spokesman said. Neither Mr. Sahni nor Mr. Day could be reached for comment.

According to the bank board, Mr. Sahni acquired the S&L in 1983, when it had \$1 million in assets, and "embarked on a course of explosive growth."

# Drop in liftings cuts Venezuela oil export

Caracas, (AP-Dow Jones) — Venezuela's exports of crude oil averaged less than 1.2 million barrels a day in January, according to an official at Petroleos de Venezuela.

This was due to a reduction in liftings at the end of the month. The volume of January crude sales fell below the country's target level of 1.41 million barrels a day.

Oil ministry and Petroleos officials say Venezuela plans to make up for the lost sales through sales in the coming months from crude stocks

held at its storage facilities in Venezuela and the island of Curacao.

Venezuela has storage capacity to hold about 20 million barrels of crude at local terminals.

"There has been no change in our production levels," Dr. Juan Chacin Guzman, vice president of Petroleos, the state oil concern, said.

The Venezuelan Government last week granted Petroleos the authority to adapt prices to the realities of international market levels.

# S&L institution with \$977 million in assets, after declaring it insolvent.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES			
Market rate	1.6362	1 month	1.6362
Forward 1 month	1.6362	3 months	1.6362
Forward 3 months	1.6362	6 months	1.6362
Forward 6 months	1.6362	9 months	1.6362
Forward 9 months	1.6362	12 months	1.6362

The pound moved ahead against the dollar, reaching \$1.488 in quiet trading against 1.445 overnight.

Sterling's value against the mark also advanced, helping the trade weighted index back up slightly.

OTHER STERLING RATES			
Argentina austral	1.9333-1.9375	Colombia	1.9333-1.9375
Botswana	1.9333-1.9375	Costa Rica	1.9333-1.9375
Bahian dollar	0.8225-0.8365	Dominican peso	1.9333-1.9375
Brunei dollar	1.9333-1.9375	Guatemalan quetzal	1.9333-1.9375
Chilean peso	1.9333-1.9375	Indian rupee	1.9333-1.9375

## MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %			
1 month	7 1/8-7 7/8	3 months	8 1/8-8 3/8
6 months	9 1/8-9 3/8	9 months	10 1/8-10 3/8
12 months	11 1/8-11 3/8	18 months	12 1/8-12 3/8
24 months	13 1/8-13 3/8	36 months	15 1/8-15 3/8

## DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Country	Rate
Canada	1.2400-1.2410
France	1.2400-1.2410
Germany	1.2400-1.2410
Italy	1.2400-1.2410
Japan	1.2400-1.2410

## GOLD

Commodity	Price
Gold (100g)	333.50-335.00
Silver (100g)	180.00-182.00
Palladium (100g)	1200.00-1220.00

## ECONOMY

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for February 4, 1986 increased 13.077 per cent.

## LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling	87.21	87.21	87.21	87.21	1208
Three Month Eurodollar	92.01	92.01	92.01	92.01	1162
Three Month Eurodollar	92.01	92.01	92.01	92.01	1162

## COMMODITIES

Commodity	Price
Crude Oil	22.00
Natural Gas	1.50
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Corn	80.00
Soybeans	100.00
Copper	1.50
Gold	335.00
Silver	180.00

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Amersbach Growth	25.12
Amersbach Income	15.45
Amersbach Bond	12.34
Amersbach Equity	18.76
Amersbach International	22.10

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Trust Name	Price	Change
Amersbach Growth	25.12	+0.15
Amersbach Income	15.45	-0.05
Amersbach Bond	12.34	+0.02
Amersbach Equity	18.76	+0.10
Amersbach International	22.10	-0.08
Amersbach Asia Pacific	28.90	+0.12
Amersbach Europe	32.50	+0.15
Amersbach Japan	35.80	+0.18
Amersbach Latin America	38.20	+0.20
Amersbach Middle East	40.50	+0.22
Amersbach Africa	42.80	+0.25
Amersbach Oceania	45.10	+0.28
Amersbach Global	47.40	+0.30

Quotations on this page refer to Monday's trading.

TEMPUS

Synergy sets the pace in takeover stakes

Synergy is the flavour of the week. Already it has been the justification for two large bids. United Biscuits for Imperial Group and Rank Organisation for Granada.

Information for Siemens shareholders

Siemens boosts capital expenditure and investment by 85%

During the period from 1 October to 31 December 1985, i.e. the first three months of the current financial year, sales in the Federal Republic of Germany grew much faster than sales abroad. It was once

more possible to make a slight increase in the number of employees. Siemens again accelerated capital spending, following a sharp increase last year, and improved net income.

New orders

New orders, at £3,592m, were 3% down from last year's first-quarter total; however, if power plant business is excluded there was a gain of 2%.

lower orders due to the worldwide depression in its markets; however, two-figure growth was achieved by the Power Engineering & Automation Group.

Table with 4 columns: In £m, 1/10/84 to 31/12/84, 1/10/85 to 31/12/85, Change. Rows: New orders, Domestic business, International business.

Sales

The rise in sales was also mainly attributable to domestic business. Worldwide sales grew by 9% to £3,051m. Siemens domestic sales accelerated 15% to £1,508m.

Information Systems Group and the Medical Engineering Group.

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Orders in hand

Orders in hand, at £15,739m, grew by 3% during the first quarter; inventories came to £5,391m (last year £5,014m).

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Employees

Having created 20,000 new jobs during the last financial year, Siemens again increased the number of its employees by 1% in the first quarter of 1985/86, bringing the total to 350,000.

last year; employment cost increased 10% to £1,426m.

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Table with 4 columns: in thousands, 1/10/84 to 31/12/84, 1/10/85 to 31/12/85, Change. Rows: Average number of employees, Employment costs.

Capital spending and net income

Siemens again boosted its capital expenditure and investment; the £282m recorded for the first quarter was 85% above the previous year's figure.

of 2.8% (last year 2.4%), the same as for the total preceding financial year.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Shares romp to new peak

Share prices went from strength to strength as the bull run showed no sign of slackening. The FT 30-share index soared 13.6 points to close at a record 1234.3.

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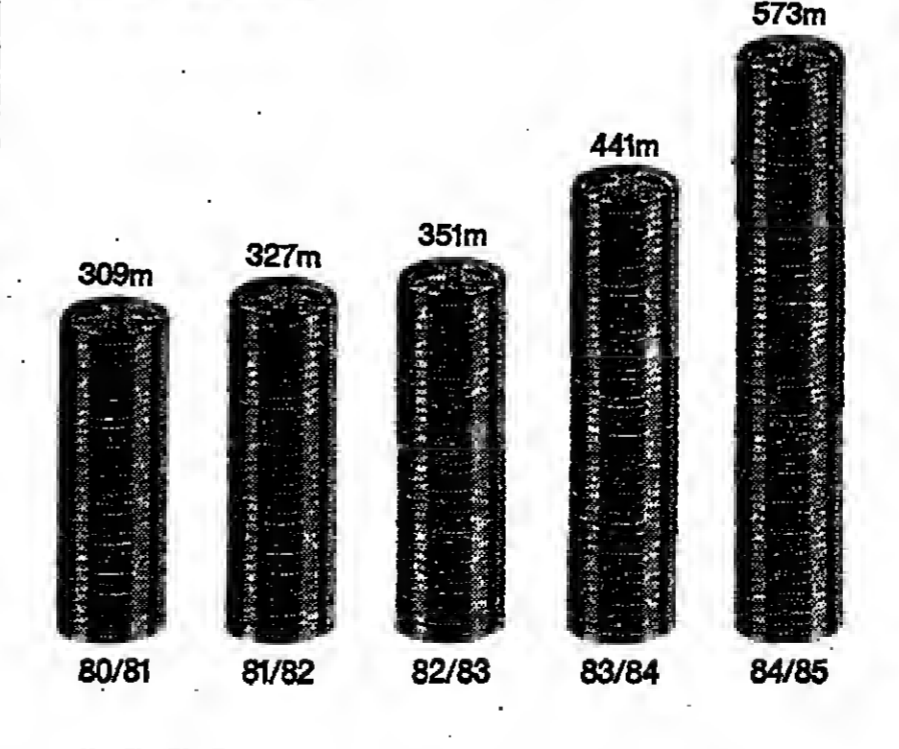
COMPANY NEWS

FERMENTA: Group profit for 1985, after financial items, 320 million krona (about £30 million), against £2 million krona.

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

Table listing main price changes for various companies.

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England must put troubles behind them

From Richard Eaton, Mulheim, West Germany

Nobody should be in any doubt that England have a new and stricter regime. No event underlines that more than the Thomas and Uber Cup European zone campaigns which start here today (Wed) with either Martin Dew or Nora Perry, two of the leading figures in the acquisition of a bronze and silver medal last time. Despite their absences both England teams should comfortably make the top three who will qualify for the finals in Jakarta in April and May. More important will be the feeling and form of the teams who have two such famous names omitted because they refused to agree to travel with the others to Jakarta. A profound sense of togetherness is now essential if any hopes of further success are to be entertained.

"There are no problems. The spirit is excellent," is the firm view of Jake Downey, the manager who has given the impression during the four and a half months since he has taken over that he is prepared to regard any of the players as dispensable to his long-term plans if they do not fit in. The reality, however, will surely be more complex than he is saying here. "We have got to forget about the hassle and disagreements," Steve Baddeley, the England no. 1, says. Baddeley was one of those players who got together to request Dew's inclusion irrespective of whether he travelled with the team. "If we can do that OK it will help pull us together. I shall certainly be pulling hard."

RUGBY UNION

Students combine against French

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Francis Clough, the new captain of Cambridge University, will lead the first combined English students side against the French students at Bath next Tuesday evening. Clough, the England squad centre, will have five of his university colleagues with him, among them the two internationals, Simms and Bailey. This is the first occasion that a side has been chosen covering all the different areas of student rugby. Previously sides tended to operate in a vacuum with Oxford and Cambridge in particular shunning contact with other's student bodies. However, at last year's annual meeting of the Rugby Football Union, Budge Rogers was invited to co-ordinate the different areas in an effort to produce one fully represented side. Rogers, the former chairman of the England selectors, chaired a student selection committee in which Ian George, their new coach, represented Oxford; Pat Briggs, the former England Under-23 coach, represented Cambridge; while John Roddies and Mike Titcomb looked after the interests of colleges, polytechnics, the University Athletic Union and London University. The upshot of their deliberations is a side including six from Cambridge, one from Oxford (1 point winners of the university match last December) two from Loughborough University, current holders of the U.A.U. title, one from London University, three from polytechnics and two from other universities. There is considerable first-class experience throughout the side, in the three-quarters and all three rows of the pack where Ward, the Nottingham club prop, Edwards, the Rosslyn Park lock and his club colleague Mantel, on the flank, join Slack, the Blackheath no. 8, Slack, the Blackheath no. 8, Slack, the Blackheath no. 8, Slack, the Blackheath no. 8. Several members of the side

Uber Cup practices. These two may well now miss the first three days of the campaign and at best they will travel separately to Mulheim tomorrow. This means the fitness of England's two leading singles players may still be in doubt when it comes to the probable contests against Sweden and Denmark on Saturday and Sunday. Defeats here would not prevent England from qualifying but would effect seedings in Jakarta. Furthermore, they would confirm the uncomfortable feeling that the balance of European power has swung strongly away from England towards their arch-competitors, the Danes.

Frankly it is hard to see England overcoming a Danish men's team containing Morten Frost, possibly still the world's best singles player, and also two fine doubles players in Kjeldsen and Christiansen, the All-England finalists, and Fladberg and Heledic, the former world champions. Young Chris Dobson is expected to replace Dew.

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The missing pictures The Scottish Rugby Union, in common with England and Wales, are now aware of the need to administer the game following the completion of an additional wing at Murrayfield (David Hands writes). Several of the new offices were ready by the time Scotland played France in January and party also were fully included in last Saturday's Calcutta Cup match. The SRU are also building a library and museum, designed to include memorabilia from every club in membership. They are seeking the best possible pictorial display and are appealing for a series of missing team photographs from between 1872 and 1913 and international ground photographs depicting games at Hamilton Crescent, Glasgow, and New Hampden Park, Glasgow. The only missing photograph from their display is A. R. Stewart (Edinburgh Wanderers) who held office in 1875-79. Bill Hogg, the SRU secretary, intends to use the new premises for referees and coaches conferences as well as for committee meetings and the annual meeting.

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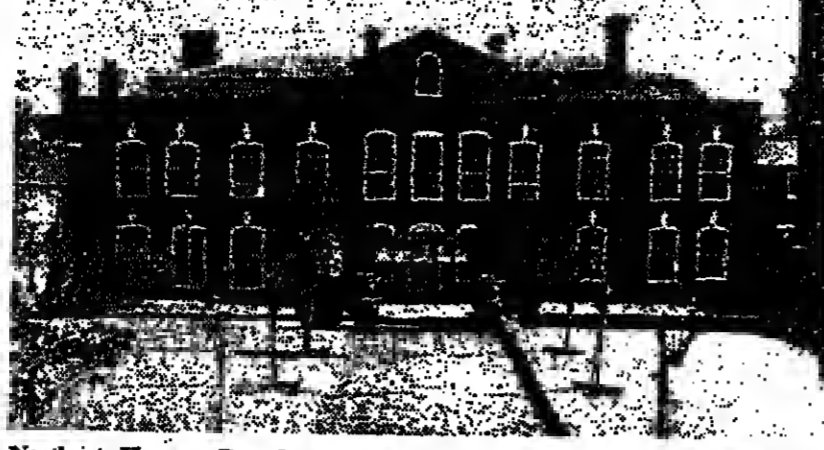
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Return of single tenants

By Christopher Warman Property Correspondent

Companies and diplomats continue to dominate the upper reaches of the London letting market but there are signs of a swing towards individual lettings, according to a survey by Ironsides Residential Rental Properties published today.

It is not surprising, given their bigger resources, that companies, banks and diplomatic missions should take up a large proportion of rented properties in the more expensive parts of the capital. But that situation has been emphasized by the reluctance of landlords to let to private individuals because — in theory at least — corporate bodies are more certain payers and landlords can expect to get their property back more easily.

The figures in this third survey by Ironsides show a steady increase in demand from diplomats since 1983, but the report notes that the market is still unsure how to treat the problems of diplomatic immunity — the example of a middle-eastern diplomat who would not move fresh in their minds.

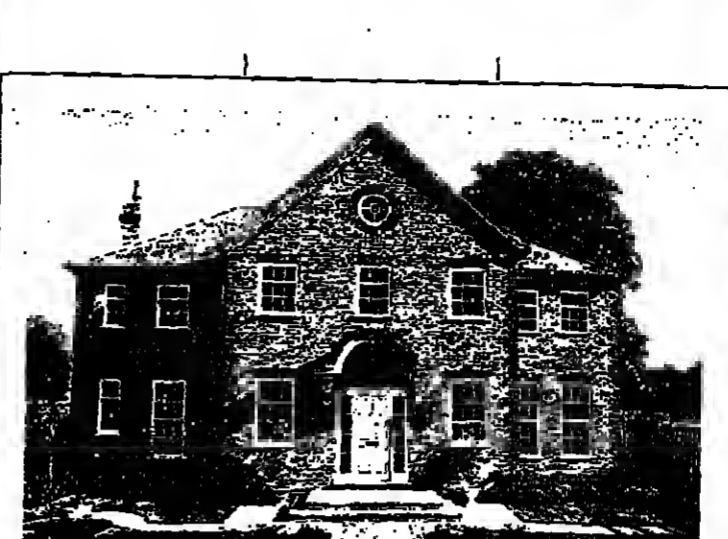
the survey said they were prepared to accept private individuals as tenants, the result — Ironsides conclude — of the Pocock and Steel case which demonstrated that the courts do protect private owners/occupier landlords.

Further evidence of this swing is shown in the table of landlords' concerns before letting, a total of 32 per cent now concern themselves with the 'quality of the tenant', ahead of other considerations such as payment (22 per cent) and vacation of the premises (29 per cent).

The survey also shows that there is a marked increase in the number of long lets of three years or more. These lettings are in prime properties with higher specifications. Supporting this trend are answers from tenants who demand certain requirements such as proximity to schools, the Underground and the need for off-street parking. Ironsides believe that longer stays will reduce the turnover in the market, which in turn should produce more price stability. Another effect, however, is that fewer than two-thirds of potential tenants are finding that the London market provides suitable properties as their requirements for a longer stay grow more stringent.

Three years ago, 83 per cent of tenants found the range of accommodation available suitable, compared with only 59 per cent this year. The difficulty is compounded by the fact that landlords prefer to let furnished or partly furnished property. For those potential tenants from countries including America and France, where unfurnished letting is usual, it creates the problem of either storing their own or their landlord's furniture.

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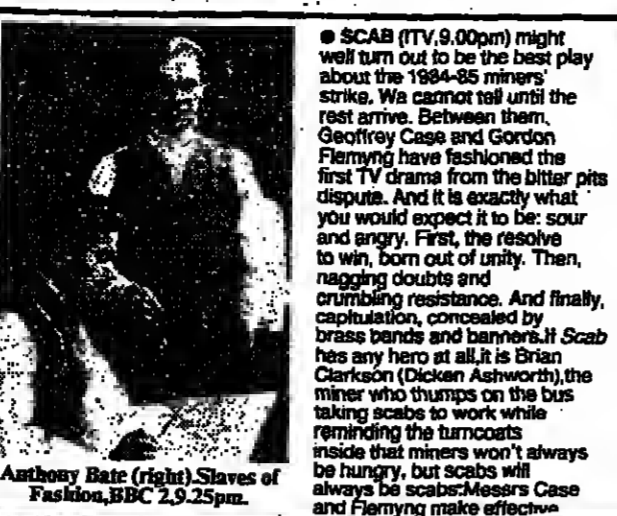


Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC1
6.00 Ceefax AM
6.50 Breakfast Time with...
12.30 The News

TV-AM
6.15 Good Morning Britain
12.00 The News
12.30 The News



Anthony Bate (right) Slaves of Fasiskoo, BBC 2, 9.25pm.

BBC 2
6.55 Open University: Domes is What You Make It. Ends at 7.20
9.00 Ceefax

CHOICE
use of Clarkson to illustrate how circumstances can alter cases and causes. The irony in the choice of Scab as a title for tonight's play is vividly exemplified in the final shot of Clarkson's wife (first performance from Barrie Shore) who stands apart from the pretence of a triumphant march by the returning miners. Actual newspaper coverage of the picket-line riots have been skilfully edited into the simulated sequences.

Radio 4
5.55 am Shipping 6.00 News
6.00 News: Financial report
6.30 Film Star: Alexander Walker on Katherine Hepburn

BBC1 WALES
6.00pm Wales Today 6.30-7.00
Hospital Watch 7.00-7.15
News and weather SCOTLAND 10-15.30pm

8.05 Concert (cont'd), Avison (Concerto Grosso No 5); Hook (Lass of Richmond Hill); Tgar, tenor; Mozart (Coco Quasi in F, K 370); Williamson (Sinfonietta), 9.00 News.

Radio 1
6.00 News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 12.00 midnight. 6.00am Adrian John 7.30 Mike Read 8.30 Simon Bates 12.30pm Newsbeat (Frank Robinson) 12.45 John Peel 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Robinson) 5.45 Bruno Brookes 7.20 James Long 10.00-12.00 John Peel (s) VHF Radios 1 & 2 4.00am-4.00am As Radio 2.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS
Live 1.20 Calendar News 1.30-2.30
Falcon Crest 2.30-3.30
South West 6.30-7.00 That's My Dog 12.25am Postscript 12.30 Close.

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Television world sees Granada as Britain's best

By David Hewson and Patricia Clough

Granada Television, which went on the air in May 1956, is regarded in international television circles as Britain's foremost commercial television company...

the north-west. The north-eastern area was then taken over by Yorkshire Television. Last month, talks between Granada Television and Ladbroke on a possible merger...

Rank Organisation's £740 million offer for Granada - the latest city megabid - will, if successful, create a huge leisure and entertainment empire...

The bid has pitted two distinctly different management styles against each other. On the one hand there is the new, tough professional team at Rank...

On the other, Mr Alex Bernstein, the head of Granada, represents the third generation of Bernsteins and is likely to put up fierce resistance to prevent the end of the dynasty.

Granada

TV rental: Granada has a strong high street presence through 650 television rental shops. Since it took over Rediffusion nearly two years ago, the two chains have merged...

Merger will father a leisure megagiant



Anthony Andrews and Jeremy Irons (Brideshead Revisited); Charles Dance with Geraldine James (Jewel in the Crown).



Violet Carson as Mrs Sharples in Coronation Street

As well as the usual array of canteens, shops and petrol services, the new areas will include small hotels, designed for weary drivers...

The video cassette business issued titles such as Alice in Wonderland and Woman in Red. The Odeon and Gaumont cinema chains have been enjoying buoyant times...

Rank's empire: Rank's film and television business is known throughout the world. Ten major film productions were handled at Pinewood Studios last year, including the latest James Bond, A View to a Kill.

Rank also owns 50 per cent of Cal Air International, formerly British Caledonian Airways, caravan parks, leisure hotels, marinas, and a string of bingo clubs...

At the Gloucester Hotel a new 500 seat conference and banqueting suite have been built, while at other hotels improvements are taking place at restaurants, bars and public areas.

Rank makes £740m offer for Granada

Continued from page 1. An IBA spokesman said yesterday: "We would need to be assured that there would be no change in the nature of the business."

Mr Bernstein's board predictably rejected the bid yesterday. He said the offer had no logic and he knocked down Rank's plans for selling holdco shares in television shops.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

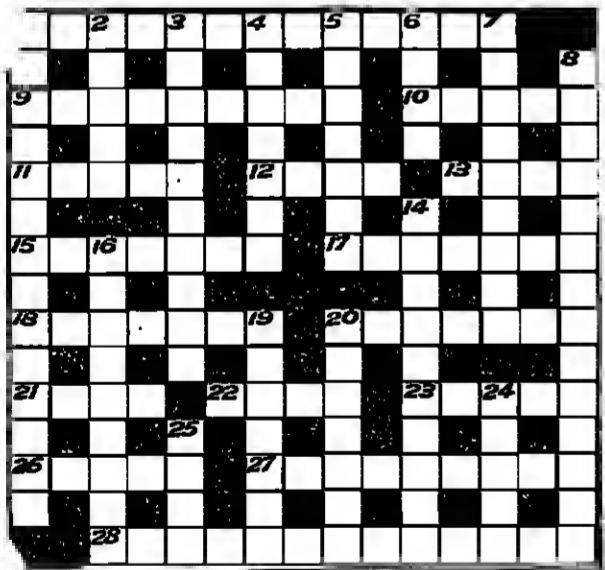
Today's events

Royal engagements: The Princess of Wales, President Dr. Bernardo, visits the Druids Heath Centre, Stonnall Road, Walsall, 10.45, and later, as President, the British Deaf Association...

the Daily Star Gold Star Awards, 11.00 at the Park, W1, 12.30. Last chance to see Nautica: a company's design path to success. The Design Centre, 28 Haymarket, SW1, 10.30.

St. Olave, Hart St, 1.05. Bach and his contemporaries: Organ recital by Richard Townsend, St. Margaret, Lothbury, 1.10.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,973



ACROSS: 1 Everyone says scab can't - you'll have to work (2,3,8). 9 Concerning a piece from a cask (2,7).

Down: 11 A line from Henry to the court (7). 12 Protection against birds put round a spruce (4).

Books - Hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week. A Business Handout Round The World: The End of the Great War: November 1918, by Stanley Weintraub (Allen & Unwin, 51.95).

The pound

Table with columns for Bank, Buy, Sell, and other financial data for various currencies.

Roads

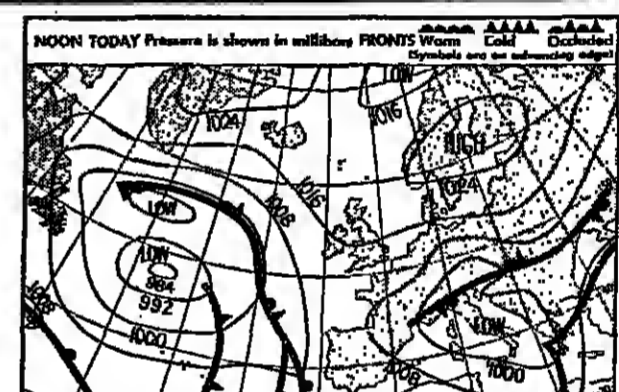
London and the South-east: A3: burst water main at Wandsworth High St. 21 and 22: A36 Salisbury, Wiltshire: widening work in Wilton Road; A470: S Glamorgan: anti-collision work on both carriageways.

Weather

A cold NE airstream will continue to dominate the country.

Gain to midnight

London, SE, E, Central N, NE England, E Anglia, E Midlands: Mainly cloudy, scattered, mainly light showers, mainly in the East. Light or moderate, perhaps locally fresh at first. Very cold, Max temp 4c (39).



High Tides

Table listing high tide times for various locations including London Bridge, Avonmouth, Cardiff, etc.

Around Britain

Table showing weather conditions (Sun, Rain, Wind) for various regions across Britain.

Abroad

Table showing weather conditions for various international locations.

Anniversaries

Births: David Garrick, Hereford, 1717; Luigi Boccherini, Lucca, Italy, 1743; Sir Frederick Morshead, geologist, Tarradale, Ross & Cromarty, 1792; Adeline Patti, Madrid, 1843; Sven Hedin, explorer, Stockholm, 1865.

Snow Reports

Table with columns for Country, Depth, Conditions, Runs to, and Weather for various regions.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debates on Opposition motions on strategic defence initiative and on treatment of private tenants.

Tower Bridge

Tower Bridge will be lifted today at 9.30 am.

Lighting-up time

London 6.02 pm to 6.05 am (total 6.02 pm to 6.45 am) Bristol 5.57 pm to 6.48 am

Yesterday

Table showing weather conditions for various regions on the previous day.

Portfolio

Portfolios have to stay Monday-Saturday. The daily portfolio table is published weekly and is available to subscribers for that week.